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THE PRIMARIES.

MUCH EXCITEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONTESTS ON TUESDAY.

Major Lantz's Friends Secure Victories in Four Out of the Five Election Districts of the Town—The New Primary Law Worked Smoothly—Democratic Party Vote Almost Inevitable.

The first primary elections held under the new primary law were held on Tuesday, the 8th inst., and had the beneficial result of arousing a greater general interest in the primaries on the part of voters than has ever been manifested before in primary elections.

No difficulty was experienced on the part of voters or election officers in the operation of the new law, and while that feature of it which compels a man to make public and have officially recorded his political affiliations was the subject of some criticism, this was offset to a large extent by other features of the law which it is thought will prove of public benefit in the choosing of candidates for official positions.

The main interest in Tuesday's contests in four of the five election districts of the town centered in the Republican primaries, owing to the rivalry over the chairmanship of the Essex County Republican Committee. Four out of the five members of the Republican County Committee elected Tuesday favor the retention of Major Carl Lantz in the position of Chairman of the County Committee. These are Walter M. Hopler and James C. Brown in the First Ward, Charles F. Hummel in the Second Ward, and Frank Foster in the Third Ward. Charles W. Powers, who carried the First District of the Third Ward, favored John S. Gibson for Chairman of the County Committee.

But little interest was manifested in the Democratic primaries.

The vote on Tuesday was as follows: First Ward, First District, for member of the Republican County Committee, Walter M. Hopler 122 votes, Charles A. Vennet 52.

For delegates to the Republican County Convention, Harry L. Osborne 125 votes, Clarence E. Van Winkle 135, J. Adolph Weimar 111, George M. Odomus 64, Samuel G. Hayter 58, Andrew C. White 59.

Only nine votes were polled in the Democratic primary in this district, and George E. Tucker and Zebulon G. Wood received the solid party vote for delegates to the Democratic County Convention.

In the Second District of the First Ward there was no opposition on the Republican ticket and James C. Brown was elected member of the Republican County Committee, receiving 25 votes. Charles F. Kocher and Charles H. Madole were elected delegates to the Republican County Convention, each receiving 25 votes.

Andrew Delaney was the choice of the Democratic primary for delegate to the Democratic County Convention. Only four Democratic ballots were polled.

The largest vote polled in any district Tuesday was in the Second Ward. For member of the Republican County Committee Charles F. Hummel received 202 votes and Frank V. Oakes 67.

For delegates to the Republican County Convention Robert E. Day received 268 votes, George Fisher 268, Arthur Pickling 263.

Six votes were polled in the Second Ward Democratic primary, and Edward Gruber and Dr. W. F. Harrison were the party's choice for delegates to the Democratic County Convention.

The Third Ward, First District, Republican primary was one of vital interest to all the local politicians. While it was nominally a contest for member of the Republican County Committee, it was actually a fight for control of the Republican party interests in the district. For member of the Republican County Committee Charles W. Powers received 150 votes and Charles E. Underwood 101 votes.

For delegates to the Republican County Convention Thomas A. Agnew, Jr., received 109 votes, Charles A. Keyser 105, William H. Burn 137, Joseph O. Wambold 133.

Five Democrats voted in the Democratic primary and nominated Victor F. Corras delegate to the Democratic County Convention.

The Second District, Third Ward, primary was also the scene of a lively contest among the Republican voters. For member of the Republican County Committee Frank Foster received 122 votes and William K. Betts 94.

For delegates to the Republican County Convention James Y. Nicolli received 115 votes, Thomas A. Faucett 53, John Ashworth 101, William W. Ford 90.

No Democratic primary was held in the Second District of the Third Ward.

Next Instruction. Mrs. Bennett-Francis. For terms and particulars call at or address 200 West Street, Bloomfield, N. J.,—Adv.

Base-Ball.

The Orange Athletic Club defeated the Watsessing Base-ball Club on the Orange Oval in the morning game on Labor Day by a score of 8 to 3. The Watsessing people who went to East Orange to see the game declare that Umpire Codue crushed the chances of the visiting team by a rank decision in the first inning, and which benefited the Orange Club to the extent of three runs. The Watsessings appeared to be suffering from the usual nervousness that attacks the team in games on the oval. The score by innings was as follows:

	Watsessing	Orange
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	0
5	0	0
6	0	0
7	0	0
8	0	0
9	0	0
Total	0	8

The Xavier Athletic Association team of New York City played a fine game of ball in the contest with the Watsessing Club on the Arlington avenue grounds Monday afternoon, and a large crowd of spectators enjoyed the exciting struggle. Owing to having played a game in the morning several changes were made in the location of the players in the home team. Otto Hambacher made his first appearance on the grounds in the role of pitcher, while Durning played at short stop. Hambacher gave much satisfaction as a pitcher. The score of the game was as follows:

	Xavier	Watsessing
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	0
5	0	0
6	0	0
7	0	0
8	0	0
9	0	0
Total	0	0

The Watsessing Junior Base-ball Club defeated the Young Men's Christian Association team on the Ellis street grounds Monday morning by the score of 5 to 2.

The Bloomfield Field Club's base-ball team defeated the Invincible A. C. Sunday afternoon by a score of 17 to 11.

A Newark paper commenting on the Newark Eastern League base-ball team speaks as follows of the work Lawrence T. Heisterfer of this town:

"Newark's strength is based upon its pitching staff. It is due more to the effectiveness of the box artists than the batting of the ballers that the team held a position in the first division until the last slump. The local twirling staff compares favorably with any in the Eastern League. But pitchers cannot play the game alone, and many times the weak batting of the team or a slump in fielding converted what should have been a victory into defeat.

"Two of the members of the local pitching staff are Larry Heisterfer and John Burke. The work of Heisterfer, the little southpaw, is one of the bright features of the Ballers' record. Of the local stronghold, he is feared more by the opposing batters. It was Heisterfer who shut out the mighty Jersey City team on Decoration Day, after the Hudson County aggregation had won seventeen straight games, and it was he who steered the Ballers to victory in every city on the circuit. His best work of the season was pitching thirty-five innings in four games and allowing only three runs to be scored. The first of these games was a ten-inning battle with Buffalo, which the Ballers won by a score of 1 to 0. Next he pitched a twelve-inning game at Toronto, which Newark forfeited, after each team had scored one run. This feat he followed by administering a 3 to 0 shut-out at Baltimore. On July 19 he pitched seventeen innings against Toronto, Newark winning both games. He won seventeen games and lost twelve, but is responsible for many other Newark victories, being frequently taken out of a game in the last inning, owing to his weak batting, after he had held the opponents safe, the credit of victory being given to the pitcher taking his place.

"Heisterfer is a Bloomfield boy. He distinguished himself as an outfielder, and later as a twirler, by his work on the Watsessing semi-professional team during the past five years. Last season he was given a trial with Newark and made good. His work this year, however, is a big improvement over that of last season."

The Pangborn Horn. J. D. Pangborn, the vigilant night gateman at the Watsessing avenue crossing of the Lackawanna Railroad, who toots a horn every morning at 5.15 o'clock as a matter of accommodation to local business men, received the following threatening letter during the past week.

As you have annoyed us until patience has ceased to be a virtue, we write to say unless you stop your horn blowing at 5.15 every morning we will see the railroad officials and find out whether you are employed to attend the gates or wake people up. Hoping you will give this your attention.

Respectfully, ONE OF THE SUFFERERS. Mr. Pangborn attributes the letter to some kicker, and says he author of it will no doubt kick when the angel Gabriel's trumpet blast arouses the dead from their long rest.

Ladies' costumes, shirt-waist suits, fancy waists, out and bustled. Finishing touches to home-made gowns. High grade patterns out to measure. Call 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Mondays and Saturdays excepted. Mrs. Conway, 87 Clinton Street near Washington Street, formerly of 1734 Broadway, N. Y.—Adv.

TRIED TO KILL POLICEMAN

Officer Baylies Has a Sensational Encounter with a Thief—The Thief Attempted to Stab the Policeman and the Latter Tried to Shoot the Thief—Strange Contents of the Thief's Pack.

The report of a pistol started the people in the neighborhood of the Orchard street station about half past two o'clock Wednesday morning. The shot was fired by Police Officer John R. Baylies at a desperado who had made a lunge with a large knife at the officer. The circumstances connected with the sensational encounter are as follows: Policeman Baylies was on duty in the vicinity of Orchard street Tuesday night. At the hour above mentioned he heard the sounds of footsteps along the New York and Greenwood Lake Railroad track, and he hurried to the Orchard street crossing just in time to confront a man who had emerged from the Williamson avenue out and was walking the track in the direction of Belleville. The man carried a large heavy pack with an axe fastened across it.

The policeman demanded to know what the man was doing out at that hour of the night and what he had in his pack. The stranger was a foreigner and could scarcely speak English, but managed to convey the impression that he was on his way home and lived close by. The officer insisted on having a look at the contents of the pack, when suddenly the stranger dropped it from his back and the bright keen blade of a butcher knife flashed in the moonlight as the stranger made a quick pass at the officer and then ran. The officer sprang back and the point of the knife just reached him and cut a gash in the right side of the breast of his coat.

As speedily as possible the officer got his pistol out and fired at the fleeing man, but evidently missed his mark, as the runner continued on at high speed. The policeman brought the pack to the police station and when it was opened it was found to contain the carcass of a recently killed sheep and several chickens. The sheep's body was still warm and had not been long butchered.

Within the past year or so several instances have occurred in Brookdale when young calves have been stolen and butchered near, and the carcass taken away. If Officer Baylies had been fortunate enough to capture his man Tuesday night it is very likely that the Brookdale cases could have been traced to him.

A diligent search was made Wednesday for some trace of the marauding butcher but without satisfactory results. It was learned that the carcasses in the pack was that of a lamb belonging to Joseph Rawson, and the chickens also were taken from Mr. Rawson's henry.

The man's statement that he lived near by caused the police to make an investigation in the vicinity of Boho. It was learned that Stanislaus Porowski, a Russian Polisher residing in Mill street, Belleville, and a noted crook who was arrested for stealing coal from Montgomery Chapel, was out again, and suspicion rested on him. In company with Constable Daily of Belleville Officer Baylies visited Porowski's home, and when he saw the man he was positive that it was the right party and a warrant was secured for his arrest.

Porowski gave the officers a desperate struggle and it required the combined efforts of Officers Baylies and Maxwell and Constable Daily to handcuff him. The circumstantial evidence brought against him and the policeman's positive identification caused Recorder Post to put the prisoner under \$500 bail to await the action of the Grand Jury. A pair of blood stained overalls were found by the police in Porowski's house. He declared that the blood stains were due to some pigs he had killed, but neighbors say that he kept no pigs. Some tools that had evidently been stolen were also found on his premises, and his record is such as to lead to the conclusion that the right party has been arrested.

Crippled for Life.

Joseph Siebold of Caldwell, who was injured a month ago in a trolley collision while driving a truck on Bloomfield avenue, was sent recently to the Memorial Hospital, Orange. An examination proved that his hip bone was broken, and his case is said to be incurable. He settled with the trolley while in bed for \$800. As he now has to move from the hospital and is without a home, his friends hope that he may be received at the Job Haines Home.

Watsessing vs. Rutherford.

The Watsessing base ball club will play the Rutherford Field Club in the Arlington avenue grounds this afternoon. This is the first visit of the Rutherford club here. This club has defeated the Watsessing several times at Rutherford. The Rutherford Field Club is one of the semi-professional clubs maintained by the wealthy residents of that place and is regarded as a strong base ball team.

FORMAL ACCEPTATION

Of the Resignation of the Rev. Chas. A. Cook as Pastor of the First Baptist Church—Report of the Committee Read to the Congregation Sunday Morning—The Pastor's Work Here Recognized in Resolutions Adopted by the Congregation.

Special interest centered in the service of the First Baptist Church last Sunday morning, and though many of the congregation were out of town on account of the holiday on Monday, there was an unusually large attendance. The expected presentation of the report of the committee to consider the pastor's resignation was the cause of the special interest. The pastor, Rev. Chas. A. Cook, preached a sermon on "The Lordship of Christ," from 1 Peter 3: 22; "Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God, angels, and authorities and powers being made subject unto Him."

After calling attention to various passages in the New Testament in which the Lordship and sovereignty of Christ are mentioned, he spoke of the extent of this Lordship, showing that Christ was placed on the highest throne in the universe, and is King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Angels, the highest order of beings that we know of, are subject to Him, and delight to do His will, hearkening unto the voice of His word. Authorities and powers are also subject unto Him. These are antagonistic beings, but they are all subject to His authority. They can only go as far as He permits them to go in their opposition. American citizens feel secure under the star-spangled banner, and when wronged American battleships are dispatched to demand redress, and if necessary protect from further insult or injury. The Lord Jesus Christ will not do less for His subjects wherever they may be. If He be for us who can harm us? No power anywhere, no authority, no organization or combination of forces anywhere is too great for Him to subdue.

Jesus Christ is the head over all things to the church and He has declared that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. The church shall stand. The kingdom shall come. He shall reign till He hath put all enemies under His feet. These facts should fill believers with faith and hope and peace, and lead them to crown Christ Lord in their lives.

At the close of the sermon the regular monthly communion service was observed, it being the last communion service at which Mr. Cook will preside as pastor. This fact added to the tender feelings that usually prevail at this sacred service.

The following resolution was read after the communion service and adopted by the congregation:

"This resignation is the result of the appointment of our pastor to the position of superintendent or field secretary of the work of the general committee on Christian stewardship, an organization authorized at the National Baptist Anniversary at St. Paul in May, 1902. His appointment to this position was a unanimous one, and seems eminently appropriate in view of his deep interest in this work, as evidenced by his writings, his strong advocacy, during his career as pastor, of the claims of Christian stewardship, and the fact that he was the author of the resolutions adopted at the National Anniversary by which this movement was originated.

"Ever since the action was taken at St. Paul, making probable the appointment of a man to devote himself to the propagation of this vitally important but sadly neglected truth, our pastor has been prominently in mind with reference to the position, and has been frequently spoken to about it, so that the subject has received from him earnest and prayerful consideration, and his resignation is not at all a matter of hasty action.

"The exceedingly delightful and tender relations existing between the pastor and this church would impel us to decline the acceptance of the proffered resignation and urge its withdrawal, but such action would be narrow and selfish in view of the larger usefulness opened before our pastor in this opportunity. The interests of this church are in harmony with the interests of the Master's kingdom everywhere, and we are persuaded that it is our duty and privilege to subordinate personal preferences and local interests to the greater good of the cause at large, feeling that our church is honored in providing the man for this very important work.

"We therefore recommend that the church accept the resignation of Rev. Charles A. Cook as pastor, and bid him God speed in his new field of labor, supporting him in it with our earnest prayers that God's richest blessings may rest upon his work, making it very effective and conducive to the advancement of His kingdom in a wonderful degree.

"In this connection we deem it proper to put on record a brief expression of

our high appreciation of the faithful service rendered by our pastor during the fifteen years and more in which he has, under God, led this church.

"With grateful hearts we recognize the earnestness, sincerity and ability which he has consecrated to the service of the church through all these years, resulting, by the blessing of God, in its marked advance along all lines of Christian development. His tender and faithful ministrations as pastor in times of trial and affliction have created bonds of love and friendship that shall never be severed. He has been the pastor of the whole church, none, however humble or weak, being overlooked, but all being the objects of constant and loving care. The same spirit of Christ-like service has been freely given to any outside of the church in need or trouble.

"His earnest interest in the Master's work has led him outside of his own church and into active participation in county, State and national organizations, where his ability, sincerity and good judgment have been widely recognized. "While firm in his denominational convictions, he has had the largest fellowship with God's people of every name and a deep interest in all efforts for the upbuilding of God's kingdom. To him, perhaps more than to any one else, is due the organization of the Bloomfield Evangelical Union, which has developed and conserved a delightful spirit of fellowship among the churches of our town. He has fearlessly advocated, as a citizen, the things which make for righteousness, and his influence has constantly been for the uplifting of men and the honor of the Master. We thank God for the providence which led him to this church and which has continued through so many years a spirit of delightful harmony between him and us as pastor and people."

A Runaway.

An exciting runaway occurred Saturday afternoon, when a spirited horse attached to a light buggy became frightened at a piece of paper in the road and ran at great speed up Franklin street. James Conroy, owner of the rig, seeing that he could not stop the animal, leaped out at Berkeley avenue and was painfully bruised.

The horse kept on up over Franklin hill to a place where Harry Cooper, Superintendent of Public Works, was standing talking to George Doreaux, one of his men. They tried to get out of the way, but were unable to do so. A wheel of the carriage struck the men and threw them into a ditch. Both were painfully bruised. At Washington street and Bloomfield avenue former Councilman Richard K. Schuyler was crossing the street and was struck on the hand and slightly hurt.

The gates were down at the Washington street crossing of the Lackawanna Railroad, but the horse never halted in the least. It had freed itself of the carriage, and with a bound leaped over the gates just before an east-bound train thundered down the grade. The horse kept on through Glen Ridge to Montclair, where it was stopped by James Creveling.

Seminary Opening.

The German Seminary of our town will be reopened on Monday, September 21, at 3.30 P. M. The Rev. Dr. A. T. Clay of the University of Pennsylvania, who is assistant of Prof. Dr. Hilprecht in his Babylonian work, and who has deciphered many of the Clay tablets brought from Niffer during the last ten years, will deliver the opening address on "Recent Life from Babylonia." Dr. Clay is an able and most interesting speaker, and as he has been a student of Assyriology for more than twelve years, he can speak with authority on Babylonia.

The opening address will be delivered in the main audience room of the seminary, and the public is cordially invited to hear the well-known lecturer. Admission free.

Robbed Railway Station.

Thieves entered the ticket office of the Lackawanna Railroad station at Glenwood avenue at noon Sunday and obtained \$66 in cash, which they took from a drawer in the safe. Abram Doremus, the agent, was at dinner at the time. The thieves effected an entrance by prying open the door with a chisel. Detective John R. Baylies is working upon the case and an arrest is expected shortly.

Too Early for Business.

The September meeting of the Board of Trade perhaps followed too closely in the wake of the vacation season to find the citizens ready to enter with zeal into action upon and discussion of municipal matters, and that probably accounted for the small representation of the large membership roll present at Thursday night's meeting.

Mountain Building Fund.

The Mountaineer Hospital building fund is as follows: Previously acknowledged, \$1,600; Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Du Bois, \$300; total, \$1,900.

BOARD OF TRADE

HELD ITS REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING THURSDAY NIGHT.

Sidewalk Matters the Chief Topic Discussed—Watsessing Park Project Before the Board—Fireworks and Banquets Among the Matters Talked About.

The third quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade for the current year was held Thursday night. The chief topic of discussion was flagstone sidewalks. D. G. Garabrant, Chairman of the committee on municipal affairs, submitted the following report on the subject of sidewalks:

To the Board of Trade, Bloomfield, N. J. GENTLEMEN: Your Committee on Municipal Affairs, who were requested to ascertain by what methods sidewalks could be secured under the existing town law, beg to report as follows: There are three lines of procedure through which sidewalks may be secured, viz:

First—The owners of one-sixth of the lands fronting on any street or section of a street proposed to be improved, may petition the Town Council in writing for a sidewalk; the petition must be accompanied by a deposit, the amount of which is determined by resolution of the Council. Upon receiving such a petition the Council is required to give public notice of a meeting at which it will consider objections to such proposed improvement. If owners of two-thirds of the land fronting on the proposed improvement object to it in writing then the Council cannot proceed. In the absence of such objection the Council decide whether to make the improvement or not.

Second—Any ten freeholders may in like manner petition for a sidewalk. Subsequent procedure and conditions to apply just as in the first case.

Third—The Town Council may by a unanimous vote of all its members adopt a resolution "that it is in the interest of the town that a sidewalk be constructed" on any street or section of a street, and proceed with the improvement, such resolution taking the place of a petition. No deposit is required in this method but notice concerning objections must be given as in case of action on petition. The Council may, however, pass an ordinance for the improvement by a unanimous vote of all members of the Council in spite of objections by the property-owners.

The costs and expenses of building sidewalks is in all cases assessed upon the lands fronting upon the improvement.

If the Council decide against the petition the deposit is returned to the petitioner less any expense that may have been incurred.

Respectfully submitted,

D. G. GARABRANT, Chairman. William Biggart, Chairman of the Suburban Homes Committee, reported that the circular letter which the Board had authorized sent to property-owners had been distributed and had met with much favorable comment on the part of property-owners. Mr. Biggart also reported that arrangements had been made with the advertising department of the Erie Railroad for a liberal advertisement of Bloomfield's residential attractions.

A letter from Mr. Briggs of Washington Place, complaining about the condition of that street, led to a lengthy discussion involving the question of the relation of the Board of Trade to the Town Council.

James H. Moore, James C. Brown and others opposed the transmission of the letter to the Town Council as an official communication from the Board of Trade but did not object to its being handed over to the Council simply as a document that had been received by the Board. Messrs. Moore and Brown were evidently acting on the principle that the Board of Trade ought not to be used as a medium through which to kick at or criticize the Council. The Board voted in favor of a motion to simply transfer the letter to the Council.

The condition of the streets, sidewalks and gutters throughout the town was a theme of general discussion.

A caustic letter from John Politt of Myrtle street to the Board in reply to the circular sent out by the Committee on Suburban Homes was not read, President Stephen desiring an opportunity to pursue it before submitting it for reading.

Mr. Biggart offered a suggestion that the Board take early action towards arranging for a public Fourth of July celebration next year under the auspices of the Board of Trade.

Former President Thomas McGowan inquired if the Banquet Committee had been discharged. On being informed that it had been discharged with thanks Mr. McGowan expressed regret as he would like to have had it continued, and arranged for a semi-annual banquet.

Wants to Settle.

The Erie Railroad Company, through its adjusters, have been making an effort toward the settlement of damage claims, as a result of the terrible accident at Chestnut Hill a few weeks ago, when Joseph Joy and Harry Stonaker lost their lives and William O'Brien and John A. Davenport were injured.

As yet no agreement toward a settlement has been reached with the heirs of Joy and Stonaker, but it is said that the company's adjusters have agreed to pay O'Brien \$800 in settlement of all claims, while Davenport has been offered \$150 if he will sign a release.

